

I have been a member of the Detachment of California, for 43 years and my eligibility is through my father who is 90 years old and a World War II Veteran. He has been with the American Legion for well over 50 years.

It was his ambition that I get involved with the Sons of the American Legion so I would know what was going on in California. I have held several offices in the Detachment and am now the National Vice Commander of the Western region. During my year as Detachment commander we received the Houghton Award for our membership of 105% by the birthdate of May 2004. We also received the detachment history book and community service award along with several other awards.

I am very active in our community, state, and Nation through several other organizations that I sit on. I have been very active with Toys For Tots for well over 20 years and we service an average of 600 families and do several events throughout the year to help support the program. Recently my father was at our Reno convention where he was honored as my distinguished guest and was the hit of the Sons of the American Legion Convention as a distinguished guest .He has spoken so well of the Sons and how he was impressed with our convention and what we do for the American Legion.